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(All figures in Swiss Francs)

1 INCOME

As of today, pledges amounting to CHF 1,990,320 have been received from Argentina, China, the European Union, Germany, Norway, the Republic of South Africa and the United States of America for 2011 (Table 1). Based on observed levels and trend of cash contribution over the last 4 years, it is reasonable to expect a total cash contribution of CHF 3.3 million (average value of contributions received over the last 3 years).

The working capital in the Trust Fund at the beginning of the year is projected at CHF 2.3 million.

It is expected that the same number of Experts will be seconded to the Secretariat, representing an in-kind contribution of CHF 1,810,000. In-kind contributions of office space by WMO will also remain at the same level, leading to a total in-kind contribution of CHF 1,890,000 (Table 2).

The expected total income for 2011 is thus 7.5 million including 5.6 million in cash, as summarized in Table 3.

2 EXPENDITURE

A breakdown of the proposed expenditure is presented in Table 4.

Compared to 2010 expenditure (see Document 22), the present budget anticipates stable levels of expenditure on most activities, and reduced spending on Official Meetings and on Outreach. Also, teleconferencing costs are steadily increasing. Finally, it is considered advisable to anticipate increased spending on workshops and contractors in 2011, in view of the next phase of development of the GEOSS Common Infrastructure and the preparation of the new 2012-2015 Work Plan.

**TABLE 1
EXPECTED CONTRIBUTIONS (CASH)**

Contributions pledged at or before GEO-VII	
Argentina (USD 14,000)	14,036
China (USD 80,000)	80,208
European Commission (€600,000)	781,554
Germany (€100,000)	130,259
Norway (NOK 1,800,000)	296,677
South Africa (ZAR 1.5 million)	211,586
United States (USD 471,900)	476,000
Total	1,990,320

**TABLE 2
EXPECTED CONTRIBUTIONS (IN-KIND)**

In-kind contributions	
Seconded Experts (Brazil, China, ESA, Korea, Japan (2), South Africa, US,)	1,810,000
Office Space (WMO)	80,000
Total	1,890,000

**TABLE 3
EXPECTED INCOME FOR 2010**

Expected income for 2011	
Pledged cash contributions	1.990.320
Anticipated additional contributions	1.310.000
Projected opening balance	2.334.433
Total Cash Income	5.634.753
In-kind contributions	1.890.000
Total Income	7.524.753

**TABLE 4
EXPENDITURE**

Item	Budget 2011
Staff costs and related expenses*	1,700,000
Seconded Experts (in kind)	1,810,000
Staff Mission Travel	400,000
Official GEO Meetings	20,000
Programme Costs	
Contractors (salary and travel)	350,000
Meetings and Workshops	400,000
<i>Total Programme Costs</i>	750,000
Outreach	
Materials	30,000
Events	20,000
<i>Total Outreach</i>	50,000
Communications	
ICT charges (ICC hosting, Internet, network, franking, etc.)	85,000
Webex	70,000
Email discussion lists	5,000
<i>Total Communications</i>	160,000
Premises and Equipment	
Office space (in kind)	80,000
Rental and maintenance	80,000
Computers and equipment	5,000
Software	5,000
<i>Total Premises and Equipment</i>	170,000
Representation	5,000
Incidental Expenses	10,000
External Audit Costs	20,000
EXPENDITURE	5,095,000
WMO Service Costs	356,650
TOTAL EXPENDITURE	5,451,650
(in cash)	3,561,650
*Based on standard staff costs 2008-2011	

TABLE 5
EVOLUTION OF CASH CONTRIBUTIONS AND EXPENDITURE

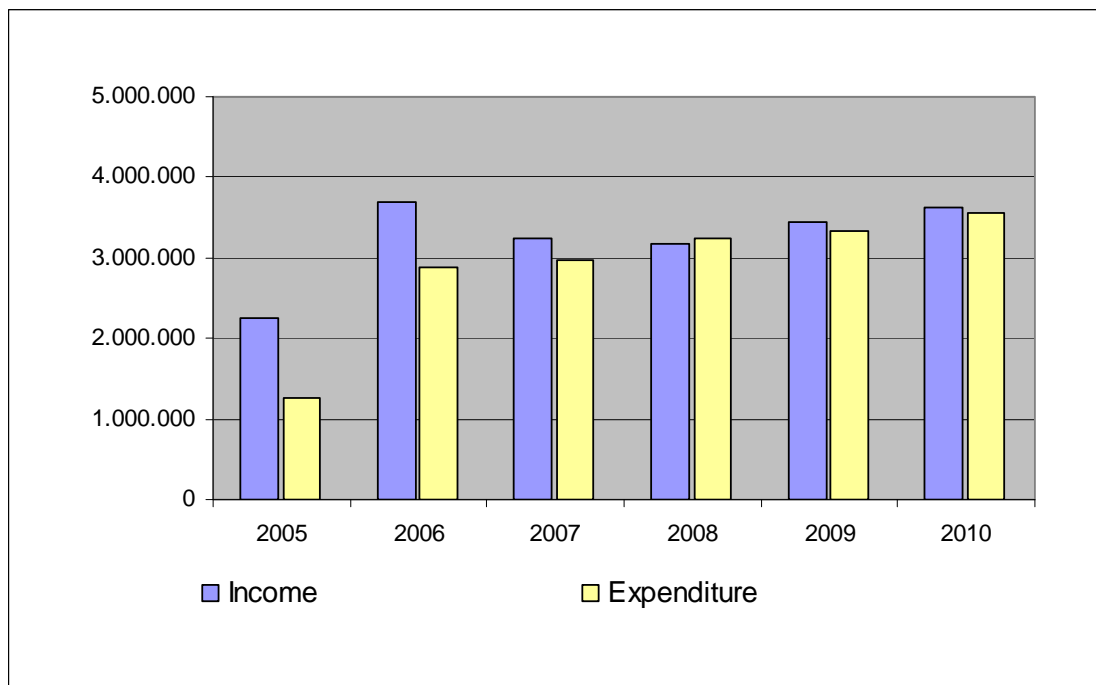


TABLE 6
EVOLUTION OF WORKING CAPITAL AT 1 JANUARY (OPENING BALANCE)

